

District Three Implementation Committee Meeting Minutes July 21, 2008

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm in Meeting Room A at Fresno City Hall.

The roll was called with the following members present:

Jim Tate Hill
Elliott Balch
Marlin Keeling
Charles Dowling
Crystal Jackson

Members Absent:

Margie Reisz

Others present: Gloria Ponce Rodriguez, Robert Gedert, Richard Caglia, Stephanie Acker, Mike Henebury, Sophia Pagoulatos, Leslie Klein (Fresno County Recycling Coordinator), Danny Lisenko, and Gregory A. Barfield, Staff to the Committee from the Office of Councilmember Sterling.

Motion by Balch and **Second** by Keeling to approve June 23, 2008 minutes with changes to add Gloria Ponce Rodriguez.

May 19, 2008 tabled until next meeting.

Review of Projects:

C-08-133

Presentation by Fresno County AB939 Recycling representative, Leslie Klein of the Fresno County Planning Department. She focused on what is Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) such as items that are found in your home, under the sink, in the garage, and include batteries, light bulbs, aerosol spray cans, paint, etc.

Currently, twice a year there is a County wide drop-off program, with one location in urban Fresno/ Clovis and the other one the east or west side of County.

The AB939 team has been looking for a permanent site for over two years as Fresno County is the only county without one in the state. Goal was to find a site that covered as many people within a ten mile radius, close to a freeway, zoned properly. Compactable with existing surroundings within cost and development cost. Discarded to co-locate with someone who already is doing something similar. Sent out RFP and received two responses, Olive and Maple and Sunset Waste. With permanent site that law allows the County to set up mobile site(s) also.

REVIEW OF PROJECTS (continued)

C-08-133 continued:

Sunset's site reaches 61% of County residents within 10 miles.

Downside- no utilities at the exact location and needed to expand CUP.

Applicant Danny Lisenko of Sunset presented an overview of Sunset's current transfer station and an overview of what HHW would like.

Open on Saturdays, up to 50 cars per Saturday with limited drop-offs on Friday and/ or Monday. This is done at a time where large truck traffic is not on site.

Gloria Ponce Rodriguez, of Concern Citizens of West Fresno raised concerns about additional dumping in the area and is concerned for the Environmental Rescission. Looking to have a healthy environment for all, not another rendering plant. Have a lot of health disparities.

Bob Gedert, Chief of Recycling, that the City of Fresno is in support and the joint effort with the County, 15 cities the County over the last four years to get to this point. Hazmat responses and pick-ups items left on the street. 5% is found in West Fresno per Church Tob's.

Richard Caglia of Cedar Avenue Recycling Center (CARTS) spoke in support as a competing facility which receives materials as a product of their regular work as a recycling transfer site.

Questions by the committee on storage units, other locations looked at, including why not the Cedar Avenue Recycling Center. Accidents or concerns at other locations in the state at twice a year drop-off, no signage.

Received grant from State of California for \$300,000 that must be spent by March 2010.

Storage and processing of materials received include doing some consolidation such as paint; material maybe packed and picked up to go to other recycling centers. Most of the items are picked up 2x a year.

Questions about who is the client you serve: residents in the County of Fresno with majority from Metropolitan Fresno. What happens if the community is against the project.

Question about those in North Fresno (north of Shaw) coming down to West Fresno and the growth of the city moving to the north and the east.

Mobile units are permitted by the state with a recommendation by the local Health department-based on the input by City Planning staff- a CUP would probably be needed.

REVIEW OF PROJECTS (continued)

C-08-133 continued:

Public notices of this HHW facility will go beyond the 350 feet required and include an area roughly bounded by Martin Luther King Jr, Annadale, Jensen and Elm, with public open houses in August at Sunset Waste to get info out and then community and committee would have input upfront.

Motion by Balch and **Second** by Dowling to table until August 25, 2008 (Special Meeting) and requested for:

- Numbers of those services from previous annual drop-offs
- expected use by 93706 residents
- accidents, spills, and emissions from other locations throughout.

Passes with Jackson absent.

C-08-108 1631 North Golden State

Applicant Michael Henebury provided overview of the proposed multi-materials recycling center, similar to a Reyco type center.

Expect 30-40 vehicle trips daily with 3-4 trucks per week for pick-ups. Questions about storage of material outside, there will be very little.

Cameras will be installed, fingerprinting thumb, and ID are required of those who recycle.

Motion by Balch and **Second** by Dowling with the recommendation to add street trees on McKinley and Golden State Blvd, with lesser being open to assist City/ County on homeless outreach.

Passes.

S-08-61 3588 South Orange

Applicant Richard Caglia presented project taking 3 areas of operation and consolidating into one new location. No new truck trips or expansion. Also looking at expansion of the fueling stations.

Motion by Keeling and **Second** by Balch to approve project S-08-61.

Passes.

C-08-135 2421 East California Avenue

C-08-143 1401 Fulton Street

Motion by Balch and **Second** by Jackson to approve C-08-135 and C-08-143 together.

Passes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.